

# San Francisco Arts Commission Executive Committee Meeting

June 28, 2023

# Item 1: Call to Order, Roll Call, Agenda Changes, Land Acknowledgement

- Call to order
- Roll call / Confirmation of quorum
- Agenda Changes
- Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement



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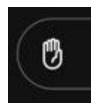
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## Land Acknowledgement

The San Francisco Arts Commission acknowledges that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples. As a department dedicated to promoting a diverse and equitable Arts and Culture environment in San Francisco, we are committed to supporting the traditional and contemporary evolution of the American Indian community.



Antone Family (Tohono O'odham), 2019, Photo by Hulleah Tsinhnahjinnie Left to right: Christine [seated], Melanie, Michelle and Arianna



## Item 2: General Public Comment

## Discussion

(This item is to allow members of the public to comment generally on matters within the Committee's purview as well as to suggest new agenda items for the committee's consideration.)



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## **Discussion**

Staff Presenter: Director of Cultural Affairs, Ralph Remington

Presentation Time: Approximately 10 minutes



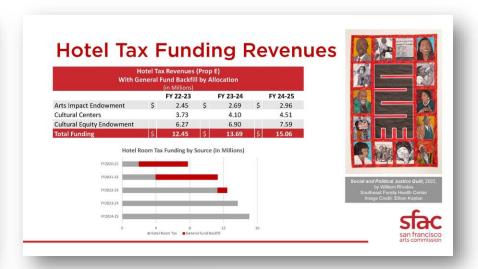


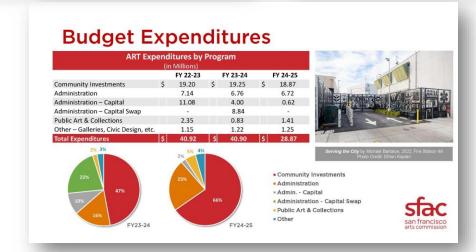


**General Updates** 



#### **Budget Revenues ART Revenues by Funding Source** (in Millions) FY 22-23 FY 23-24 FY 24-25 General Fund (GFS) 5.90 5.78 Hotel Room Tax 11.30 13.69 15.06 GFS - Hotel Room Tax Backfill 1.15 GFS - Cultural Centers Capital 10.92 3.20 COPs - Capital Swap Interdepartmental 1.27 1.85 Dream Keeper Initiative 2.11 2.20 4.86 5.80 3.98 \$ 40.92 \$ 40.90 \$ 28.87 \*\* Agency moved several positions into self-supporting program to meet GFS target reductions







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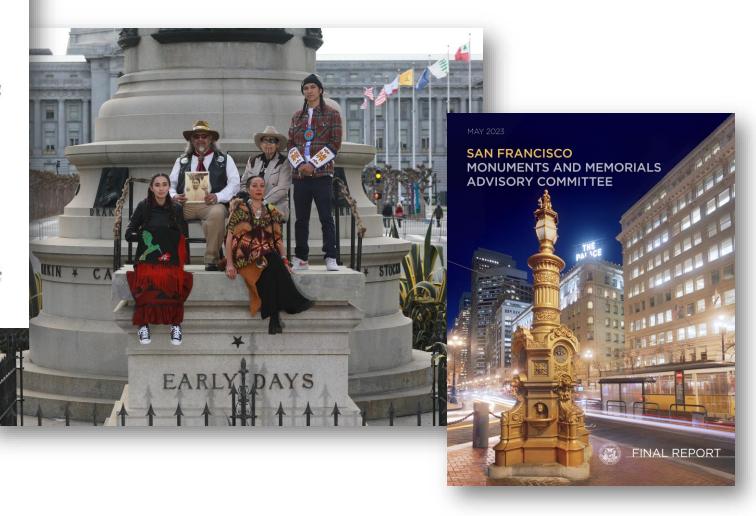
Mayor London Breed Announces The San Francisco Arts Commission Is One of Nine Municipalities Nationwide That Has Received A Portion of a \$25 Million Mellon Foundation Grant to Support Its Work on Monuments and Memorials Initiative

The \$3 million Monuments Project grant will fund and support 'Pulse Check: Accountability and Activation of Future SF Monuments' a San Francisco Arts Commission project that will evaluate the City's Civic Art Collection and build on the work and recommendations of the City's Monuments and Memorials Advisory Committee over the next three years.



"Visual Artists - The Continuous Thread: Celebrating Our Interwoven Histories, Identities and Contributions," 2019. Photo: Hulleah

SAM FRANCISCO, June 20, 2023 — Mayor London N. Breed and Ralph Remington. Director of Cultural Affairs, are thrilled to announce that the San Francisco Arts Commission has been awarded a \$3 million Mellon Foundation grant. The grant is part of "The Monuments Protect", an initiative of the foundation's President, Elizabeth Alexander, which commits to give \$250 million by 2025 to transform the nation's commemorative landscape through public projects that more completely and accurately represent the multiplicity and complexity of American stories.



















**Community Investments Updates** 





**Gallery Updates** 













**Public Art Updates** 





**HR Updates** 











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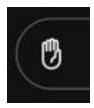
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## Item 4: 2023 Art on Market Street Poster Series

## Discussion and Possible Action

Staff Presenter: Craig Corpora, Program Associate

Presentation Time: Approximately 5 minutes



# 2023 Art on Market Street Poster Series

Who is San Francisco?

Triple Dream Comics

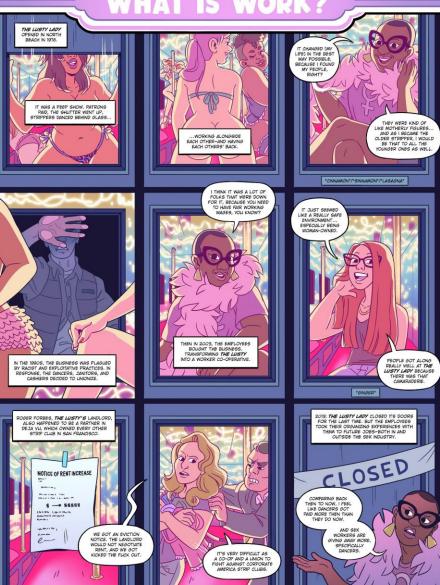
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## WHAT IS A NEIGHBORHOOD?









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## THE STUD HAS BEEN OPEN SINCE 1966. IT'S ALWAYS BEEN KIND OF A WEIRDO QUEER BAR. IN 2016, THE LANDLORD DIED AND HER CHILDREN TOOK OVER AND RAISED THE RENT THREE TIMES THE PRICE AND KIND OF WANTED TO DRIVE US-THE OWNERS THEN-OUT. THE STUD IN EXIL IT STARTED OUT AS A HIPPIE GAY BAR. SEVENTEEN OF US GOT TOGETHER AND POOLED OUR MONEY AND BOUGHT THE STUD... AND WE'RE LOOKING FOR A NEW PLACE NOW. WE ALSO HAD FLINK AND SOUL BANDS AND WE HOSTED BLACK PANTHER MEETINGS. RIGHT NOW, I THINK NIGHTLIFE OFFERS A WAY TO SURVIVE IN THE CITY. IT'S THIS GREAT LINDERGROLIND, ALMOST QUEER MAPIA, ASPECT OF A BAR. AND KNOWING THAT YOU'RE IN A COMMUNITY THAT WANTS TO HELP YOU STAY IN THIS RENT-RAVAGED LANDSCAPE. THE COMMUNITY HAS IT IN IT'S INTEREST TO HAVE AS MANY PEOPLE FROM THE COMMUNITY IN THE CITY. WE'VE REALLY BEEN ABLE TO TURN TO COMMUNITY CROWDFUNDING AND INTERNET SUPPORT. YOU CAN SUPPORT THE STUD'S REVIVAL AT STUDSF.COM PEOPLE ONCE SAID THAT THE INTERNET WOULD KILL GAY BARS. WELL NOW IT'S THE OPPOSITE, WHERE THE INTERNET IS SAVING GAY BARS. The Art on Market Street Poster Series is a project of the San Francisco Arts Commission and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency. Who is San Francisco? © Mel Hilario, Katie Longua, and Lauren Davis www.TripleDreamComics.com TUP



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Item 4: 2023 Art on Market Street Poster Series

Discussion and possible motion to approve the 7 final designs by Triple Dream Comics for the 2023 Art on Market Street Kiosk Poster Series.



# Item 5: Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant Update

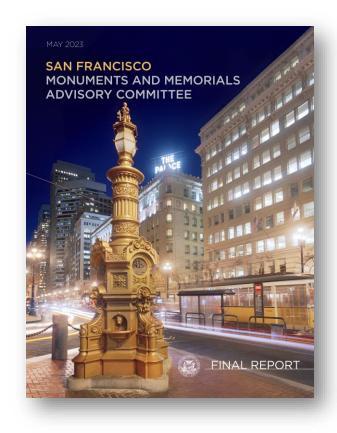
### Discussion

Presentation to provide an overview of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation grant.

Staff Presenters: Sandra Panopio, Senior Racial Equity and Engagement Analyst Mary Chou, Civic Art Collection and Public Art Director

Presentation Time: Approximately 10 minutes





### MMAC recommendations

- Conduct a comprehensive equity audit of monuments and memorials in the Civic Art Collection
- Engage and build awareness to actively work with communities to acknowledge pain imposed by monuments and memorials
- Rectify the power imbalance through processes that may recontextualize or remove objects, and create sustainable engagement plans to continue evaluation.



# **Project Summary**

Pulse Check: Accountability and Activation of Future SF Monuments, is a community-centered and equity-focused project aimed at rectifying San Francisco's long history of maintaining public commemorative works that are exclusionary and cause negative impacts on communities. This project will engage communities that have historically been excluded from discussions regarding the evaluation of works art and the process of commissioning new works. It will conscientiously facilitate the creation of contemporary, dynamic, and healing art in the San Francisco landscape.

A team of multidisciplinary artist leaders and local facilitators will conduct broad reaching community conversations that will guide **two project components**: (1) a racial equity audit of publicly accessible commemorative works in San Francisco's Civic Art Collection and (2) a vigorous community engagement and multidisciplinary opportunities for artistic activations in public spaces.



#### **General Timeline**

Pulse Check Year

-Project Launching

-Hiring of project staff

-Begin Equity Audit

-Complete EquityAudit

-Present equity audit findings in community engagement meetings

-Release RFQs

-Select Activations projects

-Community activation planning

-Finalize activations

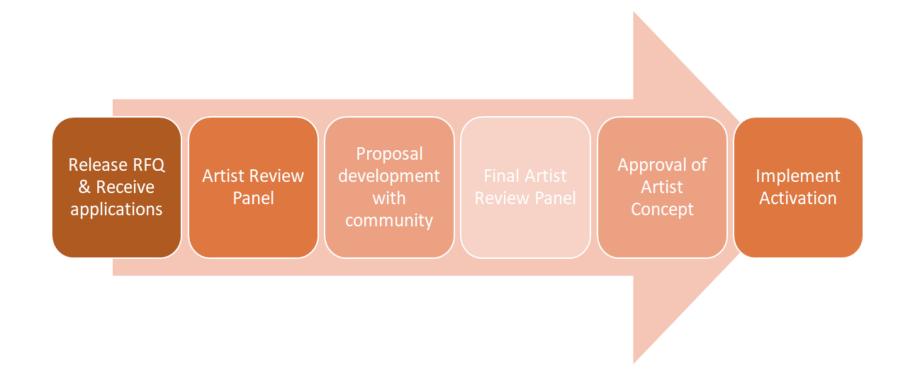
Activations Implementation

-Activations Launching & Celebrations

-Reporting and Completion of project



### **Activations Process**



## Three Year Budget - \$3M

### Staffing & Consultants

- 1 Full-time Program Manager
- 25 Artist Advisors: \$20,000 each
- Equity Audit Consultant: \$155,000 potential contract
- Community Engagement Consultant: \$225,000 potential contract
- 25 Local Community Engagement Facilitators: \$5000 stipends
- Professional services: Language access, design, printing, editing, etc.

Activations for temporary art: \$1 Million for about 5 temporary activations



## How Commissioners can help?

- Identification of staff and consultant candidates and artists advisors
- Attend community sessions
- Community engagement suggestions and outreach



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# Item 6: New Business and Announcements

### **Discussion**

(This item is to allow Commissioners to introduce new agenda items for consideration; to report on recent arts related activities and to make announcements.)



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# Item 7: Adjournment

